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TO: Each Supervisor

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SUBJECT: **HAULED WATER**

On January 20, 2004, the Board approved a motion by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, with an amendment by Supervisor Antonovich, instructing the Directors of Health Services, Public Works and Planning, the Fire Chief and County Counsel, to report back to the Board within 30 days on a joint policy concerning hauled water, including consideration of hauled water's implications for public health, fire safety and orderly development. This is to provide you with a status report on this issue.

The departments met on February 4, 2004 to discuss the issues. Following this, a draft response to the motion was prepared and has been circulated to obtain the input and revisions of each department.

A meeting has been scheduled March 17, 2004, to review the draft with representatives of your offices, to obtain further input prior to preparing a final draft.

Once the final draft is completed, the community meetings to discuss any proposed changes will be scheduled.

We will provide you with a further update by March 31, 2004. In the meantime, if you have any questions or need additional information, please let us know.

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